

Interview Summary

Application No.

10/656,193

Applicant(s)

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Examiner

Thu Nguyen

Art Unit

3661

All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

(1) Thu Nguyen.(3) Mr. Lenwood Faulcon.(2) Ms. Randi Isaacs (Reg. No. 56,046).

(4) _____.

Date of Interview: 15 May 2007.

Type: a) ☐ Telephonic b) ☐ Video Conference

c) ☒ Personal [copy given to: 1) ☐ applicant 2) ☒ applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☐ Yes e) ☒ No.

If Yes, brief description: _____.

Claim(s) discussed: 1.

Identification of prior art discussed: Tab e (US 2004/0068354).


Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☐ was reached. g) ☒ was not reached. h) ☐ N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: See Continuation Sheet.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

THE FORMAL WRITTEN REPLY TO THE LAST OFFICE ACTION MUST INCLUDE THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. (See MPEP Section 713.04). If a reply to the last Office action has already been filed, APPLICANT IS GIVEN A NON-EXTENDABLE PERIOD OF THE LONGER OF ONE MONTH OR THIRTY DAYS FROM THIS INTERVIEW DATE, OR THE MAILING DATE OF THIS INTERVIEW SUMMARY FORM, WHICHEVER IS LATER, TO FILE A STATEMENT OF THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. See Summary of Record of Interview requirements on reverse side or on attached sheet.




THU V. NGUYEN
PRIMARY EXAMINER

Examiner Note: You must sign this form unless it is an Attachment to a signed Office action.

Examiner's signature, if required

Continuation of Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: The applicants explain that in the present application, the tension applied to the seat belt of the driver is always smaller than the tension applied to the seat belt on the passenger seat. The applicants explain that by adjusting the tension on the driver seat belt less than the tension on the passenger seat belt, the present application allows the driver more ability to control the vehicle before the crash. The applicants explain that this operation should be made as the accident is predicted. Tabe teaches applying the tension of the seat belt according to the passenger weight, accordingly, Tabe does not disclose that the tension of the seat belt of the driver is smaller when the driver is heavier than the passenger.